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In re: Application of MCGRATH et al.

Application No. 10/637,205

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Examiner: Kim, Vickie Y.

For: METHOD FOR INCREASING TISSUE OXYGENATION

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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

This Response is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed October 7, 2005 ("Final Office Action"). The Examiner kindly permitted a phone interview on February 23, 2006 in an effort to achieve a common understanding of the claimed invention and its relationship to the art cited by the previous Examiner. A terminal disclaimer accompanies this response.

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